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SUBJ: COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT  
(CSTD)

1. QUESTION OF QUANTIFIED GOALS AND TARGETS AND RE-  
VISION OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (IDS)  
CAME TO A HEAD DURING INFORMAL WEEKEND MEETINGS OF  
CSTD. AT PRESENT, THREE PIECES OF PAPER ARE BEFORE  
CSTD FOR ITS CONSIDERATION.

(A) DOCUMENT E/C.8/L.6 INTRODUCED BY  
EGYPT ON BEHALF OF GROUP OF 77. THE DOCUMENT SETS GOALS  
AND TARGETS AS FOLLOWS: (1) LDC' S WILL ENDEAVOR TO  
ATTAIN BY END OF DECADE A LEVEL OF 1 PERCENT OF  
THEIR GNP DEVOTED TO S AND T INFRASTRUCTURE AND RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT; (2) DC' S WILL INCREASE THEIR ASSIS-  
TANCE IN ORDER TO REACH BY MIDDLE OF DECADE A LEVEL  
EQUAL TO 0.05 PERCENT OF THEIR GNP AIN S AND T ASSISTANCE  
TO LDC' S AND. (3) DC' S WILL REACH BY THE END OF THE DE-  
CADE A TARGET OF 10 PERCENT OF THEIR TOTAL R AND D EXPENDI-  
TURES EARMARKED FOR THE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS OF LDC' S.

(B) A DRAFT PREPARED BY NETHERLANDS ( WITH  
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ASSISTANCE FROM BRAZIL AND PAKISTAN) INTRODUCING A PRO-  
POSED REVISION OF PARA 63 OF THE IDS. DRAFT ADDRESSES

TARGET 3 STATING THAT DC' S RECOGNIZE THE LEGITIMATE DESIRE OF LDC' S THAT THEY REACH , BY THE END OF THE DECADE, A TARGET OF 10 PERCENT OF R AND DE DEVOTED TO PROBLEMS OF LDC' S.

(C) A U. S. RESOLUTION REQUESTING  
ON SYG TO (A) GIVE PRIORITY TO THE RE-  
SEARCH REQUIRED TO CLARIFY WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT  
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES CAN BE QUANTIFIED,  
(B) DEVELOP TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, APPROPRIATE CLASSIFI-  
CATION SCHEMES WITH WORLD- WIDE APPLICABILITY FOR SUCH  
QUANTIFICATIONS WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO DEFINITIONS  
AND CRITERIA, AND (C) PRESENT THE RESULTS OF THIS RESEARCH  
EFFORT AT THE NEXT SESSION OF THE SCTD.  
IN DISCUSSIONS WITH BRAZIL AND PAKISTAN, THEY INDI-  
CATED THAT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO SUPPORT SUBSTANCE U. S. RE-  
SOLUTIONS AS PART OF PARA 63 IN LIEU OF DOCUMENT L/6  
IF NEW PARA 63 RECOGNIZES THE " LEGITIMATE DESIRE"  
OF LDC' S FOR QUANTIFIED TARGETS  
AND COMMITTED DC' S TO TRY TO INCREASE PROPORTION OF  
NATIONAL R AND D EFFORTS RELEVANT TO DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS.

2. APPEARS THAT LDC' S WILLING TO SETTLE FOR LESS  
THAN COMPLETE REWRITE OF PARAS 60-64 OF IDS PROVIDED THAT  
LANGUAGE ACCEPTABLE TO US CAN BE FOUND. OPTIONS NOW OPEN  
TO US DEL ARE (1) TO INCORPORATE LANGUAGE AS SUGGESTED BY  
BRAZIL AND PAKISTAN INTO US DRAFT RESOLUTION AND PRESS  
FOR ITS ADOPTION WHILE OPPOSING AMENDMENTS TO IDS; (2)  
ACCEPT NETHERLANDS REDRAFT OF PARA 63 OF IDS; (3) AGREE  
TO NETHERLANDS REVISION OF PARA 63 IF GENERAL FEATURES  
OF US RESOLUTION CAN BE INCORPORATED, OR (4) OPPOSE ANY  
CHANGE IN IDS AND ANY EFFORTS TO ADBANCE CONCEPT OF  
QUANTIFIED GOALS AND TARGETS.

3. MORNING SESSION, MARCH 26, INDICATES  
WEO' S ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR OF ATTEMPTING TO  
ATTAIN ACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE IN PARA 63 OF IDS RATHER THAN  
SEEING LDC' S PUSH FOR ADOPTION ALTERNATIVE STATED IN DOCUMENT  
L/6.  
IN VIEW OF UNANIMOUS DESIRE OF GROUP OF 77 TO  
OBTAIN A PLLITICAL COMMITMENT BY DC' S TO INCREASE  
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PROPORTION OF R AND D EFFORT OF THEIR BEHALF , USDEL IS  
FINDING IT DIFFICULT TO (1) CONTEND THAT WE DO NOT  
RECOGNIZE THEIR " LEGITIMATE DESIRE" FOR SUCH A COMMIT-  
MENT AND (2) OPPOSE ANY LANGUAGE WHICH INCLUDES THE  
MENTION OF A SPECIFIC TARGET FIGURE WHICH THEY DESIRE  
AND WHICH THEY UNDERSTAND WE OPPOSE.

4. US DEL PROPOSES TO CONTINUE TO OPPOSE RECOMMENDA-  
TIONS FOR REVISION OF IDS AND TO PUSH FOR ADOPTION OF

OUR RESOLUTION IN LIEU OF REDRAFT. WE DO NOT RPT DO NOT  
EXPECT TO FIND MUCH SUPPORT FOR OUR POSITION. IT IS  
ALMOST CERTAIN THAT COMPROMISE LANGUAGE FOR PARA 63 WILL  
COME BEFORE PLENARY SESSION OF CSTD. NETHERLANDS/ BRAZIL  
COMPROMISE DRAFT LANGUAGE APPEARS TO BE WEAKEST FORM AND  
US DEL WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT DRAFT ALONG FOLLOWING  
LINES:

BEGIN TEXT PARA 63

DEVELOPED COUNTRIES RECOGNIZE THE LEGITIMATE DESIRE  
OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THAT THE DEVELOPED  
COUNTRIES REACH, BY THE END OF THE DECADE,  
A TARGET OF 10 PERCENT OF  
THEIR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES DEVOTED TO  
SPECIFIC PROBLEMS OF MAJOR INTEREST TO THE DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES SELECTED IN CONSULTATIONS WITH THEM; AND, IN  
THIS CONTEXT, THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WILL ENDEAVOUR TO  
INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY, BY ALL MEANS AVAILABLE TO THEM,  
THE PROPORTION OF SUCH EXPENDITURES IN RELATION TO THEIR  
OVERALL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORT. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES  
WILL MAKE ALL POSSIBLE EFFORT TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF  
SUCH EXPENDITURES INCURRED IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,  
MOREOVER, THEY WILL TRY ENSURE THAT THEIR OVERALL RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORT MAXIMIZES THE BENEFITS FOR DEVELOP-  
ING COUNTRIES. SO THAT ANY FUTURE DISCUSSIONS OF  
SUCH TARGETS CAN BE HELD IN A MORE MEANINGFUL WAY, THE  
SECRETARY- GENERAL WILL GIVE HIGH PRIORITY TO DEVELOPING  
COMPREHENSIVE DEFINITIONS AND CRITERIA SUITABLE FOR A  
WORLD- WIDE QUANTITATIVE CLASSIFICATION OF NATIONAL R AND D  
EFFORTS HAVING PARTICULAR BENEFITS TO THE DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES. END TEXT.

5. US DEL PROPOSED THAT WE TAKE POSITIVE POSITION  
REGARDING THIS OR COMPARABLE LANGUAGE WHEN IT IS OFFICIALLY  
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INTRODUCED BUT THAT WE LINK OUR SUPPORT FOR ITS ADOPTION  
WITH US RESOLUTION CALLING FOR SYG TO CONDUCT A STUDY  
OF DEFINITION' S CRITERIA AND CLASSIFICATION WHICH WOULD  
ASSIST IN ISSUE OF GOALS AND TARGETS IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
S AND T TRANSFER AND / OR ADAPTATION.

6. ON BASIS OF EXPERIENCE IN BOTH FORMAL AND IN-  
FORMAL EXCHANGES, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO INFLUENCE OUTCOME  
SUCH STUDY AND DEFUSE IN FUTURE DISCUSSIONS.  
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